

Government Astronomer.
Hongkong Observatory, March 22.

1. **BAROMETRUM**, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, and to the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2. **TEMPERATURE**, in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit.

3. **HUMIDITY**, in percentage of saturation, the quantity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4. **DIRECTION OF WIND**, to two points.

5. **FORCE OF WIND**, according to Beaufort Scale.

6. **STATE OF WEATHER**, & blue sky, & detached clouds, & drizzling rain, & fog, & gloomy, & hail, & lightning, & overcast, & passing showers, & rain, & snow, & drizzle, & visibility, & dew (wet).

7. **RAIN**, in inches, tenths and hundredths.

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship **OTY OF NEW YORK** will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 24th inst., at 3 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—
To San Francisco \$200.00
To Liverpool 350.00
To London 330.00

To other European ports at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10%. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in London. Envelopes addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 60, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN, Agent.

Hongkong, March 3, 1888. 362



STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, VENICE, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON; ALSO, BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for BATAVIA, PERMAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

SPECIAL ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship **GANGES**, Captain E. STEWART, with Her Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for LONDON, via BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL, on THURSDAY, the 29th March, at Daylight.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. on the day previous to sailing. Parcels and Special (Gold) at the Office until 2 p.m. on the day previous to sailing.

For further Particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

Passengers desirous of insuring their baggage can do so on application at the Company's Office.

K. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, March 19, 1888. 462

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship **BELGIO** will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 3rd April, at 3 p.m.

Connection being made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan ports.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office, until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—
To San Francisco \$200.00
To San Francisco and return 350.00
To Liverpool 325.00
To London 330.00

To other European ports at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10%. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight and Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 60, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN, Agent.

Hongkong, March 14, 1888. 424

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, TRIESTE, BRINDISI, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS; ALSO, LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

ON MONDAY, the 16th day of April, 1888, at 4 p.m., the Company's Steamship **PREUSSEN**, Capt. O. FOHL, with MAIL, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this port as above, calling at GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 16th April, 1888. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office). Contents and Value of Packages are required.

The Steamer has ample Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess. For further Particulars, apply to MELOBERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 20, 1888. 464

INSURANCES.

THE UNDERSIGNED, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

NORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 15, 1887. 1340

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF His Majesty King George The First, A.D. 1720.

THE UNDERSIGNED, having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—
Marine Department.

Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, July 25, 1872. 496

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE UNDERSIGNED, AGENTS of the above Company, are authorized to Insure against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

THE above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Current Rates on Goods, &c. Policies granted to all parts of the World payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, December 2, 1887. 2349

Intimations.

THE COMMERCIAL LAW AFFECTING CHINESE, with special reference to PARTNERSHIP, REGISTRATION AND BANKRUPTCY LAWS IN HONGKONG.

Copies may be had at the CHINA MAIL Office, and at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.—Price, 75 cents.

WINTER TIME TABLE.

THE KOWLOON FERRY.

STEAM-LAUNCH MORNING STAR.

RUNS DAILY as a FERRY BOAT between Peddar's Wharf and Tsim-Tai-Tai at the following hours:—This Time Table will take effect from the 17th October, 1887.

WEEK DAYS. SUNDAYS.

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